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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : Petroski, et al.
For : SOUND-ABSORBING COMPOSITES AND
Serial No. : SHIELD DEVICES EMPLOYING SAME
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
(Restriction Requirement)

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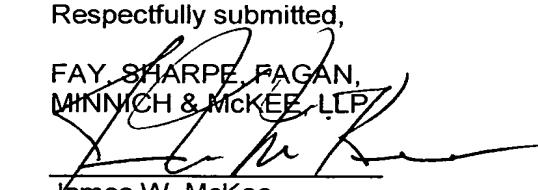
Dear Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement issued in the Office Action mailed September 29, 2003 in connection with the above-referenced patent application, applicants hereby restrict the application to the claims of Invention I, namely, claims 1-16 and 33-36, for examination on the merits. Such restriction is made without traverse.

Applicants await further action by the Examiner on the merits of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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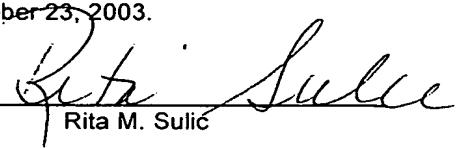
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